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Highlights

- Potato stocks • Winter wheat seedings • Grain stocks
- Hay stocks • Hog and pigs

Average prices received by farmers and ranchers

Commodity and unit	U.S. prices Dec 2003	U.S. prices Dec 15 2004 ^{1/}	Oregon		
			Dec 2003	Nov 2004	Dec 15 2004 ^{1/}
Crops:					
Wheat, bushel \$	3.68	3.38	3.69	*3.73	3.71
Barley, bushel \$	2.93	2.46	2.52	*1.88	1.95
Oats, bushel \$	1.58	1.42	1.86	--	--
Hay, Alfalfa baled, ton	87.00	92.40	96.00	110.00	101.00
Hay, All baled, ton \$	80.60	84.30	88.00	106.00	99.00
Potatoes, cwt \$	5.77	5.10	5.45	*4.70	4.65
Onions, fresh, \$	12.70	9.42	--	--	--
Sweet corn, fresh. . . \$	22.60	23.10	--	--	--
Pears, fresh. ton \$	384.00	489.00	--	--	--
Apples, fresh. lbs \$.279	.223	--	--	--
Strawberries, fresh. . . \$	—	1.82	--	--	--
Livestock/products:					
Steers/heifers, cwt \$	95.60	91.90	88.50	*96.50	95.00
Slaughter cows, cwt . . . \$	49.20	48.70	48.00	*45.80	46.00
Calves, cwt \$	112.00	121.00	100.00	110.00	111.00
Lambs, cwt \$	97.70	--	90.00	95.00	--
Sheep, cwt \$	45.10	--	34.50	37.00	--
All milk sold to Plants, cwt \$	13.80	16.50	--	--	--
Fat test %	3.79	3.81	--	--	--
Eggs, dozen \$.868	.654	--	--	--

^{1/} Preliminary.

* Revised entire month.

United States feed ratios

Feed ratios	Dec 2001	Dec 2002	Dec 2003	Nov 2004	Dec 2004
Broiler	6.4	4.7	5.1	*6.6	6.7
Hog-corn	16.8	13.1	14.8	*27.2	27.4
Milk feed	2.99	2.44	2.85	*3.57	3.73

* Revised.

Index numbers of prices received by Oregon farmers and ranchers

Commodities	1910-14=100		1990-92=100		
	Dec 2003	Dec 2004	Dec 2003	Nov 2004	Dec 2004
All farm products	828	803	139	130	135
All crops	837	803	149	138	143
Livestock & prod.	799	806	109	112	110

United States price ratio

Indexes	1910-14=100		1990-92=100		
	Dec 2003	Dec 2004	Dec 2003	Nov 2004	Dec 2004
Prices rcvd	723	711	114	*115	112
Prices paid ^{1/}	1,719	1,778	129	134	134
Ratio ^{2/}	42	40	88	*86	84

^{1/} Prices Paid, Interest, Taxes & Farm Wage Rates indexes from quarterly reports.

^{2/} Ratio of Index of Prices Received by Farmers to Index of Prices Paid. This ratio on 1910-14=100 Base is the parity ratio.

November U.S. egg production up 2 percent

U.S. egg production totaled 7.46 billion during November 2004, up 2 percent from last year. Production included 6.42 billion table eggs and 1.04 billion hatching eggs, of which 980 million were broiler-type and 59 million were egg-type. The total number of layers during November 2004 averaged 343 million, up 2 percent from a year earlier. November egg production per 100 layers was 2,170 eggs, up slightly from November 2003.

Oregon winter wheat seedings

Oregon farmers and ranchers seeded an estimated 870,000 acres of **winter wheat** for harvest in 2005, according to the Oregon Agricultural Statistics Service. This compares to 820,000 acres planted for 2004 and 970,000 acres planted for 2003.

Producers throughout the Pacific Northwest reported increased winter wheat seedings compared to the previous year. Acreage in Washington and Idaho is estimated at 1.9 million and 770,000 acres respectively.

Nationally, winter wheat seeded area for harvest in 2005 totaled 41.6 million acres, down 4 percent from last year. Of that 41.6 million acres, 73 percent was seeded to hard red winter wheat, 16 percent was soft red winter wheat, and 11 percent was white winter wheat.

Winter wheat: Area seeded by crop year, 2003-2005 ¹

Area	2003	2004	2005
	<i>1,000 acres</i>	<i>1,000 acres</i>	<i>1,000 acres</i>
Oregon	970	820	870
Idaho	760	770	770
Washington	1,850	1,900	1,900
Pacific Northwest ²	3,580	3,490	3,540
United States	45,384	43,350	41,567

¹ Total for all purposes.

² Includes Oregon, Idaho, and Washington.

December 1 hogs and pigs

Oregon's hog and pig inventory on December 1, 2004 was estimated at 27,000 head, unchanged from last year. Of that total, 5,000 were for breeding and 22,000 were for market. Oregon's annual pig crop was 48,000 head down from 54,000 head born during 2003.

U.S. inventory of all hogs and pigs on December 1, 2004 was 60.5 million head. This was up slightly from December 1, 2003, but down 1 percent from September 1, 2004.

Breeding inventory, at 5.97 million head, was down 1 percent from December 1, 2003, but up slightly from last quarter. Market hog inventory, at 54.5 million head, was up slightly from last year, but 2 percent below last quarter.

Hogs and pigs: Inventory, pig crop and number of operations, Oregon and United States, 2002-2004

Item	Oregon			United States		
	2002	2003	2004	2002	2003	2004
	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>1,000 head</i>
Inventory, December 1:						
All hogs and pigs	26	27	27	59,554	60,444	60,501
Kept for breeding	5	6	5	6,058	6,009	5,969
All market hogs	21	21	22	53,496	54,434	54,531
Market hogs and pigs, by weight: ¹						
Under 60 pounds	8	8	7	19,485	19,778	19,636
60-119 pounds	5	6	7	13,033	13,238	13,439
120-179 pounds	4	3	4	10,875	11,109	11,286
180 pounds and over	4	4	4	10,103	10,311	10,171
Sows farrowing,						
Annual (Dec.-Nov.) ²	6.2	6.4	6.4	11,492	11,429	11,445
Pig crop,						
Annual (Dec.-Nov.) ²	54	54	48	101,678	101,490	102,305
	<i>Number</i>	<i>Number</i>	<i>Number</i>	<i>Number</i>	<i>Number</i>	<i>Number</i>
Pigs per litter,						
Annual (Dec.-Nov.) ²	8.71	8.44	7.50	8.85	8.88	8.94
Operations with hogs ³	1,100	1,100	*	76,250	73,600	*

¹ Weight groups may not add to market due to rounding. ² December previous year to November of current year. ³ An operation is any place having one or more hogs on hand.

* Not available.

January potato stocks down 8 percent

As of January 1, 2005, potato stocks in Oregon totaled 14.5 million cwt, an eight percent decrease from one year ago. These stocks account for 73 percent of Oregon's potato production in 2004. Stocks include potatoes received from other States now being stored in Oregon. On January 1, approximately 64 percent of Oregon's stocks were in the Hermiston/Boardman area, while 14 percent were in Klamath County and 16 percent were in Malheur County. Hermiston/Boardman area stocks were down 15 percent compared to last year, while stocks in Klamath and Malheur counties were up 8 and 28 percent respectively. Potato stocks are defined as the quantity (whether sold or not) remaining in storage for all purposes and uses, including shrinkage, waste and other losses that occur after January 1.

Potatoes: Production and total stocks of fall potatoes, 2003 and 2004 crops

State	Crop of 2003			Crop of 2004		
	Production	Total stocks Jan 1, 2004	Jan 1 stocks as % of production	Production	Total stocks Jan 1, 2005	Jan 1 stocks as % of production
	<i>1,000 cwt.</i>	<i>1,000 cwt.</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>1,000 cwt</i>	<i>1,000 cwt</i>	<i>Percent</i>
Oregon	20,991	15,800	75	19,775	14,500	73
Idaho	123,180	76,500	62	131,970	84,500	64
Washington	93,150	44,000	47	93,810	43,000	46
Pacific Northwest ¹	237,321	136,300	57	245,555	142,000	58
California	3,528	2,100	60	3,876	2,800	72
Colorado	23,652	15,300	65	23,148	15,000	65
Maine	17,030	12,100	71	19,220	12,800	67
Michigan	15,015	7,700	51	13,650	6,900	51
Minnesota	22,330	12,400	56	18,920	11,600	61
Montana	3,339	3,000	90	3,551	3,300	93
Nebraska	9,744	5,600	57	9,288	5,300	57
New York	6,510	1,600	25	5,184	1,800	35
North Dakota	27,440	17,300	63	26,765	17,500	65
Ohio	1,097	190	17	1,080	120	11
Pennsylvania	3,375	1,500	44	2,640	1,100	42
Wisconsin	32,800	18,500	56	30,450	18,000	59
15 State Total	403,181	233,590	58	403,327	238,220	59

¹ Includes Oregon, Idaho and Washington.

Hay stocks-2004

Hay stocks on Oregon farm and ranches on December 1, 2004 totaled 2,366,000 tons, reflecting a slight increase from the previous year. This total accounts for 65 percent of the 2004 hay production in Oregon. Hay stocks were also up in Idaho, but decreased by 4 percent in Washington. Nationally, hay stocks on December 1, 2004 were up 3 percent from the previous year.

Hay: On-farm stocks, selected states, United States 2003-2004

Area	2003 Crop			2004 Crop	
	Production	Stocks on hand		Production	Stocks on hand
		Dec. 1, 2003	May 1, 2004		Dec. 1, 2004
	<i>1,000 tons</i>	<i>1,000 tons</i>	<i>1,000 tons</i>	<i>1,000 tons</i>	<i>1,000 tons</i>
Oregon	3,572	2,357	371	3,624	2,366
Idaho	4,950	2,772	445	5,350	2,782
Washington	3,603	1,620	470	3,392	1,560
Pacific NW ¹	12,125	6,749	1,286	12,366	6,708
United States	157,585	111,027	25,947	157,774	114,294

¹ Includes Oregon, Idaho and Washington.

Oregon wheat stocks similar to a year ago

Stocks of **wheat** stored in all positions in Oregon totaled 34.0 million bushels on December 1, 2004. This is nearly identical to the previous year's estimate of 33.8 million bushels. Off-farm stocks totaled 25.5 million bushels, a decrease of 3 percent from last year, whereas on-farm stocks totaled 8.5 million bushels, an increase of 13 percent compared to December 1, 2003. **Barley** stocks totaled 3.9 million bushels, an increase of 30 percent from a year ago. Off-farm stocks totaled 2.5 million bushels, an increase of 9 percent from last year. On-farm barley stocks totaled 1.4 million bushels, twice the level of one year ago. **Oat** stocks stored off-farm totaled 386,000 bushels, slightly higher than a year ago. **Corn** stocks stored off-farm were estimated at 208,000 bushels.

Pacific Northwest (Oregon, Idaho, and Washington)

Wheat stocks stored in all positions totaled 197.3 million bushels, a one percent increase from last year. Off-farm stocks, at 143.3 million bushels, were down 6 percent from last year. On-farm stocks totaled 54 million bushels, an increase of 24 percent over last year. **Barley** stocks totaled 57.6 million bushels, an increase of 34 percent from last year. On-farm stocks totaled 26.4 million bushels and represented 46 percent of the total stocks.

Grain Stocks: December 1, 2003, September 1, 2004, & December 1, 2004

Crop/ Quarter	Oregon			Pacific-Northwest ¹			United States		
	On Farms	Off Farms ²	Total All Positions	On Farms	Off Farms ²	Total All Positions	On Farms	Off Farms ²	Total All Positions
	<i>1,000 Bu.</i>	<i>1,000 Bu.</i>	<i>1,000 Bu.</i>	<i>1,000 Bu.</i>	<i>1,000 Bu.</i>	<i>1,000 Bu.</i>	<i>1,000 Bu.</i>	<i>1,000 Bu.</i>	<i>1,000 Bu.</i>
Wheat									
Dec 1, 2003	7,500	26,325	33,825	43,500	151,967	195,467	491,925	1,028,359	1,520,284
Sep 1, 2004	12,500	32,368	44,868	77,500	197,599	275,099	795,600	1,146,115	1,941,715
Dec 1, 2004	8,500	25,490	33,990	54,000	143,339	197,339	531,020	899,718	1,430,738
Barley									
Dec 1, 2003	700	2,259	2,959	16,900	26,038	42,938	97,200	100,679	197,879
Sep 1, 2004	2,400	2,469	4,869	34,400	38,181	72,581	176,500	115,305	291,805
Dec 1, 2004	1,400	2,460	3,860	26,400	31,194	57,594	130,700	115,476	246,176
Oats									
Dec 1, 2003	*	365	*	*	1,077	*	64,400	54,900	119,300
Sep 1, 2004	*	499	*	*	1,304	*	74,800	41,454	116,254
Dec 1, 2004	*	386	*	*	1,137	*	60,400	44,563	104,963
Corn									
Dec 1, 2003	*	183	*	*	11,938	*	5,286,000	2,667,775	7,953,775
Sep 1, 2004	*	74	*	*	2,503	*	438,000	519,672	957,672
Dec 1, 2004	*	208	*	*	12,597	*	6,144,000	3,304,798	9,448,798

¹ Includes Oregon, Washington, and Idaho.

² Includes stocks at mills, elevators, warehouses, terminals, and processors.

* Data not published to avoid disclosure of individual operations.

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